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- 13. The mounting of claim 11 further comprising a retaining mechanism to selectively inhibit the rotational movement of said frame.
- 14. The mounting of claim 11 wherein said wave plate is substantially circular.

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- 15. The mounting of claim 11 wherein said support structure is adapted to support said wave plate for rotation exceeding 180 degrees.
- 16. The mounting of claim 11 wherein said support structure is adapted to support said wave plate for rotation exceeding 90 degrees.
- 17. The mounting of claim 11 wherein said support structure is adapted to support said wave plate for rotation exceeding 360 degrees.
- 18. The mounting of claim 11 wherein said wave plate is supported for rotation substantially about a normal to an intersection of a fast and a slow axis of said wave plate.

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- 19. The mounting of claim 11 wherein said wave plate rotates with respect to said support structure.
- 20. The mounting of claim 19 wherein said supporting structure remains stationary.
- 21. The mounting of claim 20 wherein said supporting structure completely encloses said wave plate.